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The Honorable David K. Paylor, Director Virginia Department of Environmental Quality 629 East Main Street Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re: Authority to Amend Sections of the Virginia Water Protection Program Permit Regulation, Final Adoption 9 VAC 25-210

Dear Director Paylor:

I have reviewed the suggested final amendments to the existing regulation identified above, and the accompanying documents supporting such changes. Based upon your agency's representations, it is my opinion that the State Water Control Board has authority to promulgate the regulation under applicable law, including Chapter 3.1 of Title 62.1 of the *Code of Virginia*.

If I may be of any further assistance to you relating to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Alfred B. Albiston Assistant Attorney General Environmental Unit

cc: Cindy Berndt